MEMORANDUM



DATE: 29 December 2009

FOR: Rory Rehbeck, Chair

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FROM: Canine Sub-Group

SUBJECT: Canine Sub-Group Telecon Minutes

Please find the attendance and agenda items addressed on the Canine Sub-Group 29 December 2009 conference call:

MEETING DATE(s)	29 Dec	Call # 132							
MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE									
Member	Y/N	Guest	Y/N						
Teresa MacPherson, Chair	Y	Rory Rehbeck (SWG)	N						
Darren Bobrosky	Υ	Jennifer Massey (scribe)	Y						
Susann Brown	N	Jim Ingledue (SWG)	Υ						
John Dean	Υ								
Mike Marks	Υ								
Debra Tosch	N								

AGENDA ITEMS/DISCUSSION

- 1) Minutes from 18 September 2009 conference call
- 2) New evaluators
- 3) MO-TF1 CP November 2009
- 4) CA-TF1 CE December 2009
- 5) FL-TF2 CE December 2009
- 6) CP format suggestion
- 7) Statistics
- 8) FEMA-Equivalent CE's
- 9) Status of old business
- 10) Disasterdog.org website
- 11) Next Call

PROPOSED ACTIONS

1) Minutes from 18 September 2009 conference call

Previously approved by email and distributed

2) New evaluators

- John Redd, handler (NV-TF1) approved
- Lette Birn, handler (NM-TF1) approved 11/17/09 by email

3) MO-TF1 CP - November 2009

Twelve teams participated, good reviews.

4) CA-TF1 CE - December 2009

- 79% Pass Rate tested 19 teams, no issues, good reviews
- Certificates have been issued to all Program Managers and Training Managers

5) FL-TF2 CE - December 2009

- 72% Pass Rate tested 18 teams, no issues, good reviews
- Certificates have been issued to all Program Managers and Training Managers

6) CP format

Budget cuts allowed for only one CP this year and probably next year.

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- One CP did not accommodate all of the teams that were interested.
- Discussed ways to increase the number allowed to attend.
- Use local TF mentors as additional man-power to be able to run testing and training simutaneously? The site must be able to accommodate both. The format should support 24 teams.

7) Statistics

- · Pass rate
 - **2003 49%**
 - **2004 54%**
 - **2005 58%**
 - **2006 63%**
 - **2007 66%**
 - **2008 73%**
 - **2009 74%**

- Number of Teams tested
 - **2006=118 (76 passed)**
 - 2007=119 (79 passed)
 - 2008=120 (88 passed)
 - 2009=140 (104 passed)
- Attrition
 - **2008 .88%**
 - **2009 (11.8%)**
- Redundancy
 - **2008 14.5%**
 - **2009 12.5%**
- Number of Certified Teams/Actual Resources (2008/2009 comparison attached)
 - Dec 2006 166 (T-1)
 - Dec 2007 201/173
 - Dec 2008 228/195
 - Dec 2009 248/217
- Shadow Evaluators
 - None currently in process
 - 2009 89 Evaluators
 - 2010 85 Evaluators (need 42 for 2010)

^{*}Since new certification process (January 2007 – December 2009) – 72%

8) FEMA-Equivalent CE's

- Discussed the possibility of adding two CE's using the equivalency process
 - March, 2010 VA-TF2
 - December, 2010 AZ-TF1

9) Status of old business

- Evaluator compensation
 - In process
- FSA evaluators
 - In process

10) Disasterdog.org website

- Roxanne Dunn is stepping down due to increased workload. We thank her for her many years of hard work to keep the lines of communication open for us via this site.
- Jennifer Massey has agreed to maintain the site we thank her for stepping up.
- Site will include a link to online GPS course in the near future.

11) Next Call

• TBD

Face-to-Face Meeting: 21-23 April 2010, Virginia Beach, VA

Certified Teams By Task Force - December 2008 vs. December 2009

		Dec-08		Dec-09		
	Task	Certified	Actual	Certified	Actual	
	Force	Teams	Resources	Teams	Resources	
1	AZ-TF1	9	5	13	8	
2	CA-TF1	4	4	7	6	
3	CA-TF2	7	7	9	8	
4	CA-TF3	7	7	6	6	
5	CA-TF4	10	10	12	11	
6	CA-TF5	7	7	7	7	
7	CA-TF6	11	8	12	9	
8	CA-TF7	5	4	7	7	
9	CA-TF8	5	4	4	4	
10	CO-TF1	9	6	6	5	
11	FL-TF1	10	7	11	9	
12	FL-TF2	12	10	17	13	
13	IN-TF1	11	9	11	8	
14	MA-TF1	9	8	9	8	
15	MD-TF1	9	9	12	12	
16	MO-TF1	5	5	7	7	
17	NE-TF1	4	4	4	4	
18	NM-TF1	5	4	5	5	
19	NV-TF1	9	6	11	8	
20	NY-TF1	6	6	8	8	
21	OH-TF1	5	5	7	7	
22	PA-TF1	10	8	8	7	
23	TN-TF1	14	12	14	12	
24	TX-TF1	12	12	12	11	
25	UT-TF1	6	6	7	7	
26	VA-TF1	11	8	8	7	
27	VA-TF2	7	6	7	6	
28	WA-TF1	9	8	7	7	
	Totals:	228	195	248	217	

Certified teams increased by 8.8% and actual resources increased by 11.3% from December 2008 to December 2009.